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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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1. [] has made further inquiries among the Ukrainians about Lebed and his organization. Among the things which they state are the following:

a. Lebed was one of the first to organize active guerilla groups to operate against the Germans and subsequently against the Commies.

b. Prior to that it is probable that Lebed had relations with the Gestapo and that he received Gestapo training.

c. Lebed is a very ruthless operator, and there are stories about grim acts inside his organization. Of course, it is in general a grim business.

d. Lebed is definitely in liaison with at least some persons now operating within the Soviet sphere.

e. However, it is not the case that Lebed and his organization are the sole link with the inside, or that the dissident internal elements all accept his leadership.

f. It seems to be the general feeling that work with and through Lebed is justified, but that it would be a possibly serious error to put all eggs in that particular basket.

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